2-3-1988 and the scheme is under implementaion. After establishment of viability of the project, there was no delay in decision making.

(c) Does not arise.

Production of Steel in Salem Steel Plant

548. SHRI T. R. BALU:
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantum of steel produced so far in Salem Steel Plant, year-wise; and

(b) the quantum of more steel expected to be produced in the plant in future?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR): (a) Year-wise produdction of stainless steel in Salem Steel Plant is given below:—

(in tonnes)

Year	Production
1981-82	3214
1982-83	6747
1983-84	6934
1984-85	17127
1985-86	24373
1986-87	26627
1987-88	31423

(b) With the sanction of the second sendzimir mill in Salem Steell Plant on 2-3-1988, which it is expected to be completed in 42 months time, the capacity of the Salem Steel Plant will become 70,000 tonnes of stainless steel per annum.

Losing Units of I.T.D.C.

549. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI A. G. KULKARNI:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the number of units of ITDC termed as "losing units" in the past;

(b) the reasons for the same in each case;

(c) whether any study was conducted in each case, if so, what is its finding; and

(d) whether it is a fact that ITDC has decided to dispose of these losing units at Jammu, Mahabalipuram, Khajuraho and Hassan, if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) While no Units has been termed as "Losing Unit", out of the 24 Hotels being operated by ITDC, 12 Units have incurred losses during the period 1984-85 to 1986-87. The main reasons for the losses are creation of surplus hotel accommodation at some locations, impact of heavy depreciation and interest for commissioning new hotels; remote locations of some properties; operation of some hotels purely for tourism promotion etc.

(c) ITDC has constituted a Committee to inspect, study and adopt on the spot remedial measures. The Committee's recommendations included defreezing of posts, reduction of overtime, reduction of sundry debtors, food cost control, evolving of marketing strategy for better capacity utilisation, including minor and major renovations etc.

(d) No, Sir.